

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

JAYLENE MICHELLE RUSSELL,

Defendant.

8:24CR85

**PRELIMINARY ORDER
OF FORFEITURE**

This matter is before the Court on the government's Motion for Preliminary Order of Forfeiture (Filing No. 265). The Court has carefully reviewed the record in this case and finds as follows:

1. On June 12, 2025, defendant Jaylene Michelle Russell ("Russell"), pleaded guilty to Count I of the Indictment (Filing No. 1) which charged her with conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute more than 500 grams of a mixture or substance containing a detectable amount of methamphetamine; in violation of 21 U.S.C. § 846. Russell admitted she has no claim or ownership right in any of the property listed in the forfeiture allegation and agrees to its forfeiture.

2. The Forfeiture Allegation sought forfeiture, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853, of \$3,300 in United States currency; \$7,924 in United States currency; \$4,000 in United States currency; \$784 in United States currency; \$14,955 in United States currency; and a 2006 Silver Hyundai Santa Fe, VIN: KM8SC73E36U108853, as property constituting, or derived from, any proceeds obtained, directly or indirectly, as the result of such offense and any property used, or intended to be used, in any manner or part, to commit, or to facilitate the commission of the offense charged in the Indictment.

3. Based on Russell's guilty plea and admission, Russell forfeits her interest in the \$3,300 in United States currency; \$7,924 in United States currency; \$4,000 in United States currency; \$784 in United States currency; \$14,955 in United States currency; and a 2006 Silver Hyundai Santa Fe, VIN: KM8SC73E36U108853, and the government is entitled to possession of any interest Russell has in the \$3,300 in United States currency; \$7,924 in United States currency; \$4,000 in United States currency; \$784 in United States currency; \$14,955 in United States currency; and a 2006 Silver Hyundai Santa Fe, VIN: KM8SC73E36U108853, pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853.

4. The government's Motion for Preliminary Order of Forfeiture is granted.

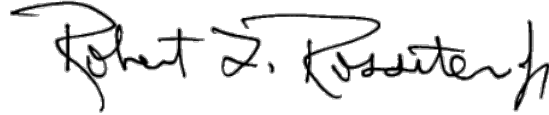
IT IS ORDERED:

1. The government's Motion for Preliminary Order of Forfeiture (Filing No. 265) is granted.
2. Based upon the Forfeiture Allegation of the Indictment (Filing No. 1) and Russell's guilty plea and admission, the government is hereby authorized to seize the \$3,300 in United States currency; \$7,924 in United States currency; \$4,000 in United States currency; \$784 in United States currency; \$14,955 in United States currency; and a 2006 Silver Hyundai Santa Fe, VIN: KM8SC73E36U108853.
3. Russell's interest in the \$3,300 in United States currency; \$7,924 in United States currency; \$4,000 in United States currency; \$784 in United States currency; \$14,955 in United States currency; and a 2006 Silver Hyundai Santa Fe, VIN: KM8SC73E36U108853, is hereby forfeited to the government for disposition in accordance with the law, subject to the provisions of 21 U.S.C. § 853(n)(1).
4. The \$3,300 in United States currency; \$7,924 in United States currency; \$4,000 in United States currency; \$784 in United States currency; \$14,955 in United States currency; and a 2006 Silver Hyundai Santa Fe, VIN: KM8SC73E36U108853, is to be held by the government in its secure custody and control.

5. Pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(n)(1), the government shall publish for at least thirty consecutive days on an official internet government forfeiture site, www.forfeiture.gov, notice of this Preliminary Order of Forfeiture, notice of publication evidencing the government's intent to dispose of the \$3,300 in United States currency; \$7,924 in United States currency; \$4,000 in United States currency; \$784 in United States currency; \$14,955 in United States currency; and a 2006 Silver Hyundai Santa Fe, VIN: KM8SC73E36U108853, in such manner as the Attorney General may direct, and notice that any person, having or claiming a legal interest in the \$3,300 in United States currency; \$7,924 in United States currency; \$4,000 in United States currency; \$784 in United States currency; \$14,955 in United States currency; and a 2006 Silver Hyundai Santa Fe, VIN: KM8SC73E36U108853, must file a Petition with the Court within thirty days of the final publication of notice or of receipt of actual notice, whichever is earlier.
6. The published notice shall state the Petition referred to in Paragraph 5, above, shall be for a hearing to adjudicate the validity of the Petitioner's interest in the \$3,300 in United States currency; \$7,924 in United States currency; \$4,000 in United States currency; \$784 in United States currency; \$14,955 in United States currency; and a 2006 Silver Hyundai Santa Fe, VIN: KM8SC73E36U108853, shall be signed by the Petitioner under penalty of perjury, and shall set forth the nature and extent of the Petitioner's right, title, or interest in the \$3,300 in United States currency; \$7,924 in United States currency; \$4,000 in United States currency; \$784 in United States currency; \$14,955 in United States currency; and a 2006 Silver Hyundai Santa Fe, VIN: KM8SC73E36U108853, and any additional facts supporting the Petitioner's claim and the relief sought.
7. The government may also, to the extent practicable, provide direct written notice to any person known to have an interest in the \$3,300 in United States currency; \$7,924 in United States currency; \$4,000 in United States currency; \$784 in United States currency; \$14,955 in United States currency; and a 2006 Silver Hyundai Santa Fe, VIN: KM8SC73E36U108853, as a substitute for published notice as to those persons so notified.
8. Upon adjudication of all third-party interests, this Court will enter a Final Order of Forfeiture pursuant to 21 U.S.C. § 853(n), in which all interests will be addressed.

Dated this 16th day of June 2025.

BY THE COURT:

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Robert F. Rossiter, Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

Robert F. Rossiter, Jr.
Chief United States District Judge